

Gail Bruno Troy, NY
August 13, 2012 at 11:00am

We arrived at Gail Bruno's house at 11am. She has a small salon in the basement of her home in a quaint, older suburban neighborhood on a quiet street with mature trees. Her husband greeted us outside as we were pulling into the driveway and Gail met us with a big smile at the door. They took us downstairs and we sat at the kitchen table. Gail was welcoming and very sweet. After we sat down she showed us her old appointment book and we looked at photo albums of when she was a member of the Hairdressers Association. After about fifteen minutes of looking at pictures we started the interview.

After about an hour, we were wrapping up the interview and Gail's client, Aileen arrived. She sat and we chatted with Aileen for about ten minutes. We walked down the hallway to Gail's salon. It looked like something right out of the 1960's with wood paneled walls, canary yellow chairs and exposed brick.

I photographed Gail giving Aileen a wash and roller set which is the most common hairstyling treatment she does since most of her clients are aged sixty and older. After she was done, they gave us a big hug and Gail offered us food and drinks for the road. We left around 2pm.